



Statewide Summary of Montana's 2008-09 Traffic Education Programs*

(From the period of July 1, 2008– June 30, 2009)

PROGRAM ENROLLMENT	
162	Public high school districts were eligible to offer a traffic education program.
134	High school districts offered a state-approved traffic education program.
12,624	Public and private high school students were eligible to enroll in traffic education.
9,055	students completed traffic education.
WHEN OFFERED	
32	districts offered the program during regular school hours .
74	districts offered the program after school hours .
94	districts offered the program in the summer .
PROGRAM FEES	
45	high school districts charged a fee during the first semester ; 67 during the second semester ; and 93 during the summer . The minimum fee was \$20.00 . The maximum fee was \$340.00 . The mode fee was \$150.00 .
18	districts charged no fee .
15	plan , for the upcoming school year and summer, to increase the fee charged students.
PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS	
51	districts granted credit for successful completion of traffic education.
119	districts screened students for visual acuity.
77	districts employed a traffic and safety education coordinator and/or supervisor .
79	districts offered pedestrian safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
90	districts offered school bus rider safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
76	districts offered bicycle safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
57	districts offered traffic education for adult beginners.
128	districts provided traffic education for students with disabilities .
125	districts taught an instructional unit on sharing the road with motorcycles .
130	districts emphasized and required the use of seatbelts .
130	districts used Montana's current Traffic Education Curriculum Guide for its high school program.
24	districts conducted follow-up research on student performance (violations/accidents).
129	districts taught an instructional unit on the effects of alcohol/drug use in driving.
110	districts involved parents in the Traffic Education program.
111	districts participated in the Cooperative Driver Testing Program (CDTP) .
110	districts utilized computers in their program.
128	districts used the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) Web site to obtain traffic education information.
NUMBER OF TEACHERS AND RATES OF PAY	
39	full-time teachers were employed.
244	part-time teachers were employed.
\$8.60	per hour is the minimum rate paid.
\$50.00	per hour is the maximum rate paid.
\$20.00	per hour is the mode minimum rate paid.
\$20.00	per hour is the mode maximum rate paid.
VEHICLES	
250	vehicles were used in the program.
5	districts obtained their vehicles on a free loan basis.
2	districts obtained their vehicles on a daily fee basis.
45	districts obtained their vehicles on a lease or rent basis.
87	districts owned their vehicles.
0	instructors owned and provided vehicles.
1	districts used other means to obtain vehicles.
ACCIDENTS	
7	traffic accidents occurred involving a student driver while in the traffic education vehicle.
0	persons were killed .
0	persons were injured .
\$7,037.45	property damage costs incurred.
COST PER PUPIL	
\$418.98	is the average per pupil cost. (District costs were partially offset by state reimbursement amounting to \$77.31 per pupil.)

* This information was compiled from the 2008-09 Traffic Education Year End Reports completed by all high school districts conducting state-approved traffic education programs during the summer of 2008 and the school year 2008-09. If you have questions, please contact David Huff by telephone at (406) 444-4432 or by e-mail at dhuff@mt.gov.